

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claims 34-40 were pending. In this amendment, claims 34 and 35 are amended and claims 38 and 40 are cancelled. Accordingly, claims 34-37 and 39 are now pending.

Claims 34, 39, and 40 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,104,808 to Laska. Claims 36 and 37 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Laska '808 in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,478,094 to Salomaa et al. Claims 35 and 38 are objected to as being dependent upon rejected base claims, but are otherwise indicated to include patentable subject matter.

Claim 34 has been amended by incorporating therein the limitations of claim 38, thereby effectively rewriting claim 38 in independent form.

Applicant assumes that claim 34 is now allowable per the indication of allowable subject matter in claim 38.

All rejections and objections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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